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*To the Children of the Church, and other Benefactors of Boarding Schools in
the Missionary Jurisdiction of Niobrara.*

MY DEAR FRIENDS : Out in this Indian country we have, on the whole, charming winter weather. But it is winter weather without possibility of mistaking it—still, bright, crisp, and cold, cold, cold, all the way from zero down to 30 degrees below. But sometimes—and sometimes has been several times this year—old Winter seems to try to be not only as cold as he can, but as blustering as he can, and for two weeks past has almost brought us to our knees protesting that we are willing to take his word for it that he can be all-conquering if he wishes, and have not a particle of desire that he should prove it by his deeds.

While I write, we have a terrific storm upon us, the mercury 23 degrees below zero, and the wind blowing almost a hurricane. We quail before it in this stone building—God pity the poor Indians in their tipis! The storm burst in one of the panes of a window in the boys' lower dormitory, and drove the snow in with such violence that the dormitory, beds and all, was this morning covered with snow for twenty-five feet of its length.

The boys, while asleep, instinctively hugged each other and drew themselves, heads and all, under the covers, and I believe slept through it all.

The dormitory looked this morning more like a snow-bank than a bed-room.

On the sounding of the "rising bell" the boys were lifted from their snowy beds and carried to the other end of the room, from which they scampered away, without much regard to appearances, crying out "*Osni do !*" i. e., Very cold ! to the warm washroom on the floor below.

Our water privileges hardly deserve the name, when the water for this large household of fifty people has to be dipped in buckets from the River, and hauled in barrels a quarter of a mile, while the temperature is so low that what is water one moment is (to exaggerate a little) ice the next. The boys who constitute the *water squad* have done their duty nobly throughout this whole cold term of ten days, during which the mercury has each morning ranged from 5 to 23 degrees below zero. The *wood-chopping squad* deserve equal credit. Our consumption of fuel in this School and in Emmanuel Hall near by is enormous. The boys have to cut all the wood in the open air, and, even with the violent exercise of wood-chopping, it is a question often whether they can generate as much heat as old Boreas can cold. Of course we save them all we can, and they are required to do nothing which the Head Master and other teachers do not join in.

I went down to Emmanuel Hall this morning soon after breakfast to see how they fared there. The storm had evidently been playing hide-and-seek through the old log church, and, as if to put the best face on its sacrilege, had left as the only token of its pranks in holy places the most delicate festoons and tracery work of snow as light as gossamer. Emmanuel Hall, which adjoins the church on the west, being new and strongly built, had stood the storm pretty well ; but the force of the driving wind manages to sift the snow (which in this country is as light as a feather and as fine as dust) through cracks and crannies which are so small that the eye cannot easily discover them. And therefore, though I say that Emmanuel Hall stood the storm pretty well, I do not mean to deny that the snow was gathered together out of some of the more exposed rooms by the shovelful.

Few of you would feel inclined while the cold is so biting to come out and see the Schools which your charity sustains, and I will not give you an invitation just at present ; but could you come and, beginning with our Boarding School which is most distant from civilizing influences, and going on through all of them, notice how the number of scholars increases and the general condition of the schools improves as you come among Indians who have been longer under good training, you would be greatly

delighted. You would hardly believe, on visiting the Girls' School, Santee, or the Girls' School, Yankton Agency, that the neat, quiet, well-behaved girls whom you will find busy in the kitchen, or working at a loom, or reciting their lessons in school, are the same creatures as those out of whom wild Indian life makes the repulsive-looking hags whom you see among them butchering beef or splitting wood; nor credit the fact that the boys of St. Paul's, now figuring at the blackboard, now rushing out hallooing for recess, and now setting the tables and making beds, would under other circumstances have grown up to paint their faces, wear the scalp-lock themselves and seek to take the scalp-lock of their enemies.

A remark made the other day by one of our Christian Indians* led me to the happy thought that our efforts for the children may be doing a work for their parents of which we do not always think. He came to ask me to baptize some grandchildren of his. I asked, "Are their parents Christians?" "No," said he, "they are not. But I am." He continued: "I have noticed that old antelopes are very wild and scary, and our hunters find it very hard to catch them. So they catch the young ones. The old ones come to seek their young, and then our hunters catch them too. And I thought, if you would take and baptize these little grandchildren of mine, you might catch their parents too."

In the hope of this good Indian let us labor on, praying and working for the young, in the expectation that the SAVIOUR Whom we serve will give us a double blessing, first turning the hearts of the children to Himself, and then turning the hearts of the parents to the children.

In School Circular No. 2, I gave you some of the Indian names of the boys and girls in our Boarding Schools. Were it not that so much space would be required, I should be glad to insert here complete lists of our scholars—their Christian names, their Indian names and the meaning of them. Let me give you, instead, a number of the Christian names of the boys and girls in our Schools. Most of them will be quite familiar to you; a few may seem somewhat strange. You will of course understand that, in the case of both boys and girls, the same names are borne by several scholars. Thus the name John belongs to quite a number of

* Since the above was in type, a letter has come to hand from Bishop Hare, in which, referring to this Christian Indian, he says: "By the way, this man is rather an interesting character; for, while he was once one of the most exultant warriors of the dare-devil sort, he has within a few years been converted from his wild ways and become one of his teacher's (Rev. Mr. Cook's) most useful and trusty Christian men."

our boys ; and the same is the case with the names George and James and Charles and William. So, too, with the girls. The names Mary and Julie and Louise and Sarah, are repeated in several instances. But here are the names : Amelia, Angelique, Cecilia, Charlotte, Deborah, Elizabeth, Emma, Florabel, Grace, Helen, Josie, Julia, Julie, Katie, Laura, Lizzie, Louisa, Louise, Lucy, Marie, Mary, Philomene, Sallie, Sarah. Of boys—Adam, Alfred, Charles, Charlie, David, Edward, Eugene, Felix, Frank, George, Henry, James, John, Joseph, Joshua, Leon, Lucien, Mark, Matthew, Richard, Robert, Simon, Thomas, William, Willie.

After each name must one day be written the words, "And he died." Let us while there is time write by our prayers and efforts after each name, "God save him."

With grateful regards,

Very faithfully, your fellow-worker,

WILLIAM H. HARE,

Missionary Bishop of Niobrara.

SCHOLARSHIPS ALREADY EXISTING.

[The blanks at the end of the School lists indicate Scholarships not yet taken.]

ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL, YANKTON AGENCY.

1. URY HOUSE SCHOLARSHIP.

Supported by Ury House School, Fox Chase, P.O., Philadelphia.

2. CALVARY SCHOLARSHIP.

Supported by Calvary Church, Clifton, Cincinnati, Ohio.

3. H. FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP.

Supported by the children of several brothers and sisters.

4. EDWARD S. CLARK SCHOLARSHIP. In memoriam.

5. E. H. S. SCHOLARSHIP.

6. ST. JAMES SCHOLARSHIP.

Supported by Sunday-school of St. James' Church, Boston Highlands, Mass.

7. SCHOLARSHIP OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

Supported by Sunday-school of Church of the Good Shepherd, Radnor, Penn.

8. S. S. M. SCHOLARSHIP. In memoriam.
9. E. W. H. SCHOLARSHIP.
10. ST. MICHAEL SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of St. Michael's Church, Bristol,
R. I.
11. HENRY M. BEARE SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by a member of Zion Church, Little Neck, L. I.
12. ST. LUKE SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of St. Luke's Church, Rochester,
N. Y.
13. ALL SAINTS SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of All Saints' Church, Worcester,
Mass.
14. CORNELIA HENSHAW SCHOLARSHIP. In memoriam.
Supported by a member of Woman's Association of the
Diocese of Long Island.
15. ST. MARY SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by a Bible Class of St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn,
N. Y.
16. ALONZO POTTER SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Alonzo Potter Bible Class, Episcopal Hospital
Mission, Philadelphia.
17. VAUGHAN SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Vaughan Bible Class, and Infant School, Epis-
copal Hospital Mission, Philadelphia.
18. M. A. DEW. HOWE SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Bishop Stevens and Henry Spackman Bible
Classes, Episcopal Hospital Mission, Philadelphia.
19. H. M. H. SCHOLARSHIP.
20. CHRIST CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of Christ Church, Belleville,
N. J.
21. ST. PETER SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by a few members of St. Peter's Church, Albany,
N. Y.
22. ST. PAUL SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of St. Paul's Church, Albany,
N. Y.
23. DE WITT SCHOLARSHIP. In memoriam.
Supported by Sunday-school of Church of the Holy Innocents,
Albany, N. Y.
24. CHRIST CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of Christ Church, Westport,
Conn.

25. G. J. GEER SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Miss Mary E. Mann.
26. COTTAGE SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by a lady of Baltimore and the members of "The Cottage Society," New York.
27. BISHOP LEE SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Trinity Church, Wilmington, Del.
28. KITTIE HUNT SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Mrs. John Jacob Astor, New York.
29. JOHN S. STONE SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of St. Paul's Church, Brookline, Mass.
30. WYATT SCHOLARSHIP. In memoriam.
Supported by Mrs. Samuel Wetmore, New York.
31. G. G. SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by G. G., New York.
32. JOS. P. H. COATES SCHOLARSHIP.
33. ASCENSION CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by J. S. W. and family, Philadelphia.
34. EAGLE SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Eagle Class, Sunday-school of St. Peter's Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.
35. CHARLES BRECK SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Old Swedes' Sunday-school, Trinity Church, Wilmington, Del.
36. W. D. WALKER SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of Calvary Chapel, New York.
37. WESTERLY SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of Christ Church, Westerly, R. I.
38. DORCHESTER SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by St. Mary's Church, Dorchester, Mass.
39. BERKSHIRE SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by a communicant of St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge, Mass.
40. BISHOP WHIPPLE SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Men's Bible Class of Church of the Advent, Philadelphia.
41. BISHOP HARE SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Bible Classes of Church of the Advent, Philadelphia.
42. HOLY COMMUNION SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by a member of Church of the Holy Communion, South Orange, N. J.

43. **BUSY BEE SCHOLARSHIP.**

Supported by Society of Busy Bees, Oakland, Md.

44. ————— **SCHOLARSHIP.**

Supported by Mrs. John Jacob Astor, New York, in remembrance of a little God-child.

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GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL, ST. MARY'S, SANTEE MISSION.

1. **LOUISE SCHOLARSHIP.**

Supported by members of St. James' Church, Boston Highlands, Mass.

2. **ELIZABETH FRY SCHOLARSHIP.**

3. **MARY AMORY HARE SCHOLARSHIP.** In memoriam.

Supported by a member of Church of the Advent, Philadelphia.

4. **BISHOP H. W. LEE SCHOLARSHIP.** In memoriam.

Supported by Sunday-school of St. Paul's Church, Des Moines, Iowa.

5. **R. C. ROGERS SCHOLARSHIP.**

Supported by a member of Church of the Holy Apostles, New York.

6. **J. P. LUNDY SCHOLARSHIP.**

Supported by a member of Church of the Holy Apostles, New York.

7. **MORTIMER SCHOLARSHIP.**

Supported by Miss M. S. Mortimer, New York.

8. **ANNA MITCHELL SCHOLARSHIP.**

Supported by E. A. Mitchell, New Haven, Conn.

9. **CHRIST CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP.**

Supported by Christ Church, Cambridge, Mass.

10. **DAVID PAGE SCHOLARSHIP.**

Supported by St. Paul's Church, Newburyport, Mass.

11. **J. A. GILFILLAN SCHOLARSHIP.**

Supported by Sunday-school of Zion Church, New York.

12. **ST. DAVID SCHOLARSHIP.**

Supported by St. David's Church, Manayunk, Penn.

13. **PAULINE SCHOLARSHIP.**

Supported by Miss C., Germantown, Penn.

14. **HUGH MILLER THOMPSON SCHOLARSHIP.**

Supported by Mission Sunday-school of Christ Church, New York.

15. CHRIST CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP.

Supported by a member of Christ Church, New York.

16. FAITH SCHOLARSHIP.

Supported by two members of Church of the Covenant, Philadelphia.

17. EDITH SCHOLARSHIP.

Supported by Mrs. R., Providence, R. I.

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GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL, EMMANUEL HALL, YANKTON AGENCY.

1. HENRIETTA SULLIVAN SCHOLARSHIP.

Supported by Young Women's Bible Class, Trinity Church, Boston, Mass.

2. SARAH ROGERS SCHOLARSHIP. In memoriam.

Supported by Sunday-school of St. John's Church, Huntington, Long Island.

3. BISHOP HARE SCHOLARSHIP.

Supported by Sunday-school of Church of the Heavenly Rest, New York.

4. CALVARY SCHOLARSHIP.

Supported by Sunday-school of Calvary Church, Germantown, Penn.

5. STANDARD BEARER SCHOLARSHIP.

Supported by Standard Bearer Class, Sunday-school of St. Peter's Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.

6. EMILY SCHOLARSHIP. In memoriam.

Supported by a member of St. Peter's Church, Perth Amboy, N. J.

7. PRUNETTE SCHOLARSHIP.

Supported by two ladies of Philadelphia.

8. ST. LUKE SCHOLARSHIP.

Supported by St. Luke's Church, Philadelphia.

9. ANNA L. WARING SCHOLARSHIP.

Supported by Miss S., Cambridge, Mass.

10. CRESCENTVILLE SCHOLARSHIP.

Supported by Sunday-school of Trinity Chapel, Oxford Parish, Philadelphia.

11. TRINITY CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP.

Supported by Sunday-school of Trinity Church, Watertown, N. Y.

12. CALVARY SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of Calvary Church, Philadelphia.
13. BUSY BEE SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Society of Busy Bees, Mrs. Stedman's School,
Norwich Town, Conn.
14. JULIA WEBB SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of St. Peter's Church, Morris-
town, N. J.
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BOYS' AND GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL, CROW CREEK, MISSION.

1. ST. STEPHEN SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia.
2. MANTON EASTBURN SCHOLARSHIP. In memoriam.
Supported by Sunday-school of St. John's Church, Boston
Highlands, Mass.
3. FAITH SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Faith Class, Sunday-school of St. John's Church,
Providence, R. I.
4. OTWAY SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Mrs. S. G. Wyman, Baltimore.
5. ————— SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of Church of the Reformation,
Brooklyn, N. Y.
6. COVENANT SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of Church of the Covenant, Phil-
adelphia.
7. MINNEHABA SCHOLARSHIP. In memoriam.
Supported by Pupils of Misses Robertson's School, Wilming-
ton, Del.
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BOYS' BOARDING SCHOOL, CHEYENNE MISSION.

1. TRINITY SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of Trinity Church, Boston, Mass.
2. SWIFT SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of St. Peter's Church, Perth Amboy, N. J.
3. PAUL MAZAKUTE SCHOLARSHIP. In memoriam.
Supported by Sunday-school of Christ Church, Pompton, N. J.
4. ST. MATTHEW SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of St. Matthew's Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.
5. GRACE SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of Grace Church, Haddonfield, N. J.
6. McDONALD SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of St. Luke's Church, New York.
7. STAMFORD SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by St. John's Church, Stamford, Conn.
8. STRATFORD SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of Christ Church, Stratford, Conn.
9. NEW ROCHELLE SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of Trinity Church, New Rochelle, N. Y.
10. ST. MARK SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of St. Mark's Church, Southborough, Mass.
11. HOLY INNOCENTS SCHOLARSHIP. In memoriam.
Supported by a member of St. James' Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.
12. ST. PETER SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of St. Peter's Church, Morristown, N. J.
13. ST. JAMES SCHOLARSHIP.
Supported by Sunday-school of Church of St. James the Less, Scarsdale, N. Y.
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